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1) THIS SUMMARY CONTAINS FOUR ITEMS:

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(3) (S/ [REDACTED] 1) CHINA: 1984 ARMS SALES.

(S/ [REDACTED] 1) PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS INDICATES THAT CHINESE ARMS SALES FOR 1984 AMOUNTED TO ABOUT [REDACTED]. THIS REPRESENTS A CONTINUATION OF THE DRAMATIC DECREASE IN THE COUNTRY'S ARMS TRANSACTIONS SINCE ITS RECORD HIGH OF NEARLY [REDACTED]. THE PRIMARY REASONS CAUSING THIS TREND ARE PROBABLY TIED TO GENERAL COMPETITION AND EQUIPMENT SATURATION OF MAJOR CUSTOMERS.

(S/ [REDACTED] 1) BEIJING'S EXPLOITATION OF THE [REDACTED]

THE POPULARITY OF

CHINESE ARMS largely reflects their simplicity, reliability, and inexpensive price tags. SHIPMENTS HAVE INCLUDED:

(S/ [REDACTED] 1) DESPITE THE RECENT DOWNTURN IN CHINESE ARMS SALES, BEIJING WILL CONTINUE TO ADVERTISE ITS ARMS FOR SALE ABROAD AND ATTEMPT TO EXPLOIT TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY SUCH AS [REDACTED]. THIS IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE FOREIGN CAPITAL AND TECHNOLOGY FOR ITS MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.

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(4) (C/NOFORN) [REDACTED]